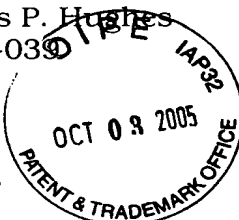


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Title : Reduced Clad Diameter Rare Earth Doped Fiber
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

The following comments are made in response to the Notice of Allowability dated September 6, 2005.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, Corning Incorporated, duly organized under the laws of the State of New York and having its principal place of business at One Riverfront Plaza, Corning, New York 14831, (i) is the only assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified application, Serial No. 10/755,009, filed January 8, 2004, for REDUCED CLAD DIAMETER RARE EARTH DOPED FIBER COILS AND OPTICAL AMPLIFIERS UTILIZING SUCH COILS, in the name of Corning Incorporated, as indicated by assignment(s) duly recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel No. 014890, Frame No. 0133 and (ii) is and at all times was the only assignee of US Patent 6,810,185 (which had a pre-grant publication No. 2003/0142940), as indicated by assignment(s) duly recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel No. 012572, Frame No. 0234. I further represent that to the best of my knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified application (10/755,009) and the United States Patent No. 6,810,185 are in Corning Incorporated and was assigned to Corning Incorporated at the time of filing of the present application (10/755,009).

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